

The Conning Tower

"The Slave Trader's Chanty."

AS LOUIS UNTERMEYER THINKS WILLIAM ROSE BENET WOULD SING IT.

All the way to Guadalupe, around the horn and back again,
Shores that seem a dusky dream of ebony and spice;
Shifting of our cargoes there and out upon the track again,
Loaded down with black and brown and magic merchandise,
Isfahan and Hindustan, we leave 'em all in peace again.
Up the straits and through the gates of hell itself we roar.
For now we hold the talisman, we've found the Golden Fleece again;
Slaves are what we're after—and we've shipped a hundred more!

CHORUS:

So, sing a song of bank-notes, a cabin full of rye;
Four and ninety blackbirds for any man to buy;
Four and ninety blackbirds jammed into the hold—
And we're the mystic merchants, for we turn 'em into gold!

II.

We used to hear the jackal scream, we listened to the cockatoo;
"Arroomp!" went the elephant, a-thundering in his bones.
The Indian girls were free with pearls and stuffed 'em in our pocket,
too;

The very sands of those far lands were strewn with shining stones.
It cost us time and money then, perhaps a strong-armed hint or two
To barter with a tartar though we robbed him of his could.
But now some colored beads, a keg of rum, a gaudy print or two—
And we're a thousand dollars (and a nigger) to the good!

CHORUS:

Four and ninety blackbirds of every size and shade;
Four and ninety blackbirds, safe as safe can be.
Boreas shall blow for us;
Poseidon's hand shall guide us;
Mercury shall chauffeur us,
And Fortune walk beside us.
Apollo, too, shall join the crew and sing as loud as we,
A catch and a carol to the old Slave Trade;
The sport of all the Kings that sail the sea!

This department would no more think of condemning the whole
state of Georgia for the Frank lynching than it would believe that
all banking proceedings were like those indulged in by Mr. Charles
W. Morse.

Nor do we, nor did we mean to imply that chivalry is non-
existent in Georgia. There is, we imagine, quite as much of it
there as in Milwaukee, Seattle, Mamaronck or Newport.

"COMFORT SCORNOED OF DEVILS."

Sir: The newspapers of Atlanta, Georgia, and the newspapers
of Denver, Colorado, indignantly denounced German outrages
in Belgium as set forth in the Bryce report. This must be a great
comfort to the family of Leo Frank and the family of John Lawson.

HAROLD KELLOCK.

A letter came last night from John Smith, who wants to know
whether we are "one of those unbiased humanitarians [sic] who
advocate a trade boycott on Georgia, thereby punishing thousands
of men, women and children for the action of 25?" No, we are not.
We want to be fair to everybody, including Thomas E. Watson. . . .
In fairness to Mr. Watson, however, we have to add that we tried
all last evening to write a paragraph to prove that we wanted to
be fair to him, and at a late hour found the task beyond our re-
stricted power.

A YEAR AGO TO-DAY IN THE WORLD WAR

Richard Harding Davis wrote his famous story on the Ger-
man occupation of Brussels.

John T. McCutcheon drew some pictures of the interior of
a German jail.

Irvin Cobb tried to impersonate a Belgian peasant.

Will Irwin was an unwilling visitor in Louvain.

Our familiarity with race-track talk grows. "If a regular boy
had a leg up on Coning Tower," the lady who sits near Am-
brose Glutz at Saratoga said, "he would win easy."

The track frequentress is not the only one who speaks of Con-
ing Tower. Most of the athletic boys in the comproom refer thus
to this Compendium of Cacchination.

The noble steed named for this C. of C. runs in the fourth race
at Saratoga this afternoon. We hope he win.

THE GROANING BOARDS OF GOTHAM.

By PAUL HERVEY FOX.

II. Riggs's.

How thronged you are with normal, proper folk!
I think that nowhere in the town,
One sees such sober fellows.
Oh, Leon Corey Riggs—if that your name be—
Yours is a pulse for the middle class:
A place of push, and—truth to tell—of plenty,
Whose patrons know quite well the worth of dreams
In dimes and dollars!

III. Allaire's.

How curious it is

That your halls should hold

A name so very inapt!

Allaire's, I grant, allures,

But truly it alloys

The metal of your worth.

For who would say it fits

Your high rooms, cool and dark,

Your tables with their plates

Of Rye and Pumpnickel?

I like the churchy niches in your walls

Where dwell enshrined

Those saints of rare illusion

Which we call saints.

(There's one great pewter fellow

I'd like to make a cannon of:

'Twould excellently serve to shoot

Prohibitionists.)

I like your painted spotches

Of hunters and of knights

In ages mediæval.

I like your little orchestra,

So solemn sentimental.

But—Lieber Gott!—above all things I like

Your dark,

Your rich,

Your honey-thick

Culmbacher beer!

"Bull Makes Williams Go Five Games to Land a Set," runs a
headline in the Philadelphia North American. As often admitted
by us, and even more frequently proved by others, there are flaws
in our game; but we never were so far off it that we couldn't make
McLoughlin—yes, Williams—go six games to land a set.

Perhaps the United States, like Cousin Egbert in "Ruggles of
Red Gap"—the one G. S. K. used to speak of—can be pushed just
so far.

First call for Deliberately Unfriendly Notes.

F. P. A.

TELLS SECRETS OF THE ALLIES TO REICHSTAG

Chancellor Accuses Kai-
ser's Foes of Deceiving
Their Own People.

GREY'S PROMISE OF AID AFTER WAR

England Would Use Germany
Against Russia, Bethmann-
Hollweg Declares.

Berlin, Aug. 19. (By wireless to Say-
ville, L. I.)—Dr. von Bethmann-Holl-
weg, German Imperial Chancellor, in a
speech to-day at the opening of the
Reichstag, after a recess since May 30,
retraced the history of the European
events leading up to the present war.
He unveiled what he said were at-
tempts made by the enemies of Ger-
many to conceal the whole truth from
the nations at large and from their
own people.

This, he said, was proved by the in-
completeness of the information given
by the diplomats of the Entente Allied
countries to their own parliaments, and
he said it showed that up to the present
the complete truth was hidden and for-
bidden in the Entente Allied countries.
The Chancellor added:

"I never have concealed anything
from the representatives of the German
nation. I never had anything to con-
ceal."

Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg discussed
Poland's future, and announced that
the previous German and Polish antag-
onism had been abolished. He said:

"The present occupation of Poland
is the beginning of an evolution which
will lead the country, freed from the
Russian yoke, toward a brighter future
and able to develop and cultivate its
individual and national character."

Reviews Military Situation.

Reviewing the present military situa-
tion, the Chancellor said:

"Again all French attempts to shatter
our west front have failed, in spite of
the contempt for death and the reck-
less waste of human lives of the French.

"Italy, our new enemy, who thought
that she could easily take her neigh-
bor's coveted goods, has been splendidly
repelled, in spite of her material supe-
riority, and has made an immense
sacrifice in human lives.

"Unshaken and unshakable stands
the Dardanelles front.

"We greet our faithful allies and ex-
tend special greetings to the exalted
ruler of the Danube, the monarch who
yesterday entered upon his eighty-sixth
year."

"We ourselves have taken almost all
Galicia and a large part of Poland,
Lithuania and Courland, and our lines
everywhere, far advanced into the en-
emies' countries, stand like walls. We
ourselves have strong armies free at
our disposal for new enterprises."

"Proudly and without fear we look
into the future!"

The Chancellor arraigned what he de-
clared was the English policy of the
Great Britain was fighting in the in-
terests of small neutral countries.

"The legitimate commerce of neutral
countries," he said, "has been strangled
by England, who, for the sake of naval
transport, has forbidden the free trans-
port of merchandise coming from or
going to Germany, even if the mer-
chandise is not contraband. Neutral
ships are forced to take English crews
on board, and the high seas and do as
they command."

Greek Islands Occupied.

"England occupies Greek islands
without explanation, because this is
convenient for the liberty of the mili-
tary operations of herself and her al-
lies. She tried, together with her al-
lies, to force neutral Greece to con-
cede territory to Bulgaria because she
desires to engage the latter nation on
her side."

"In Poland, Russia, fighting together
with her allies for the liberty of na-
tions, destroys before the retreat of
her armies the whole country, evacu-
ated, burns villages, despoils harvests,
expels the entire population of villages
and cities, Christians and Jews alike,
turning them into desert countries, and
lets the perishing millions of Russian
civilians, who are dying of hunger, be-
cause of the high seas and do as they
command."

"This is the liberty, this is the civi-
lization for which our enemies are
fighting."

The Chancellor enumerated cases in
which he said England had violated the
rights of small nations, citing the Boer
republics, Egypt and Persia.

The Chancellor, in a sensational
statement, quoted the words which he
declared Sir Edward Grey spoke to the
German Ambassador to London when
the latter took leave of the British For-
eign Minister after the beginning of
the war, in August, 1914.

Causes a Sensation.

"Sir Edward Grey," said the Chan-
cellor, "emphasizing his words, said
that the war between the two coun-
tries would make it possible that at
the conclusion of peace he could render
us more valuable services than had En-
gland remained neutral."

The Chancellor explained that he in-
terpreted these words to mean that
England desired the friendship of a
beaten and weakened Germany as a
counter influence against powerful Rus-
sia. England would be ready to use
such a Germany—a weak country,
without industry and without a navy.

The Chancellor's report of this en-
counter in London caused a profound sen-
sation in the Reichstag.

Commenting upon recently published
documents declared to be secret reports
of Belgian diplomats, the Chancellor
declared they proved that Germany had
been attacked after long and careful
preparation by others for war. He re-
viewed an attempt to arrive at an un-
derstanding with England after the
Moroccan crisis, stating that England
had declined Germany's suggestion for
an unconditional mutual neutrality, but
had offered to promise to make no at-
tack upon Germany without provoca-
tion, and had given assurances that
England had entered into no engage-
ment to attack Germany and would not
enter into one.

Contradicts Asquith.

The Chancellor said he had sug-
gested: "England therefore will ob-
viously observe benevolent neutrality
should war be forced upon Germany." This, he said, England flatly rejected,
fearing that it could have endan-
gered her friendship with other na-
tions. This fact, the Chancellor added,
had never been communicated to the
English nation. Premier Asquith in
his speech at Cardiff on October 2,
1914, the Chancellor added, had ac-
cused the last German suggestion, re-
presenting that Germany had asked
England to remain neutral in the event
of Germany being engaged in war.

This version of the request was un-

BRIDE AT CHURCH WEDDING.



Miss Therese Gladys Adams, who was married yesterday to Charles Lee Crutchfield.

NEWS OF PLAYS AND PLAYERS

"My Lady's Garter" To Be
Seen at the Booth
September 6.

"My Lady's Garter," the dramatiza-
tion by Lee Morrison of Jacques Fu-
telle's widely-read novel, is to have its
New York opening at the Booth The-
atre on September 6. Milton Sills will
be seen in the leading male role. Miss
Minna Gombel, who played the prin-
cipal woman's part in the Western com-
pany of "A Pair of Sixes," fills a simi-
lar position in "My Lady's Garter."

Mr. William Faversham announces
that during the coming season he will
appear in "De la Croix's" play, "The
Hawk," visiting the many cities which
he was unable to reach last season.
Miss Julie Opp, returning to the stage
after an absence of two years, will be
seen in the part of Marina.

Mr. Thomas Whiffen was engaged
yesterday by Klaw & Erlanger and
George C. Tyler to play the part of the
mother in "Moloch," the play dealing
with the conditions of the new play,
in which Holbrook Blinn's company
will appear in New York next month.

Mr. Whiffen, who has been a fa-
miliar and welcome figure at the
theatre in which he has appeared, last
appeared in the revival of "Rosemary"
with John Drew in January of this
year. Earlier last season he was seen
in "The Beautiful Adventure" at the
Lyceum Theatre.

The Shuberts announce that owing
to the great success which Miss Irene
Franklin and her husband, Mr. Burton
Green, have achieved in "Hands Up!"
at the Forty-fourth Street Theatre
they have made arrangements to star
Miss Franklin next season in a comedy
which has been written by Miss
Franklin and for which musical num-
bers will be supplied by Mr. Green.

Edmund Eysler, composer of the
score of "The Blue Paradise," now at
the Casino Theatre, is to do another
opera-tta for the Shuberts. Mr. Eysler
is now in the war zone, and the time
for the completion of the new opera
of "Dunith" this state. The book of the
opera will be by an American,
possibly Edgar Smith.

Cecil B. D. Mille, director general of
the Jesse L. Lasky Feature Play Com-
pany, under whose personal direction
Miss Geraldine Farrar appeared before
the camera, this summer, in the studios
of the company, at Hollywood, Cal., ar-
rived in New York yesterday.

Miss Farrar will reach New York by
special car this afternoon. Mr. De
Mille, who produced many plays for
the dramatic stage before he became
director general of the Lasky Company,
had been away from New York for two
years. He will return to California
in a few weeks.

Through negotiations just ended,
Selwyn & Co. have come into control
of the Cort Theatre, in Park Square,
Boston. Selwyn & Co. will rechristen
the playhouse the Park Square Theatre.
The firm has long sought a Boston
theatre in which to house its own
attractions. It will begin its op-
eration there, on Monday, August 30,
with the performance of "The Blue
Paradise," with the original New
York cast.

New dialogue and new songs have
been added to the Sing Song scene of
"Dunith" at the Forty-fourth Street
Theatre.

The Shuberts announce that there
will be a special Labor Day matinee on
September 6 at all their theatres in
New York, including the Winter Gar-
den.

Miss Fannie Ward, who is appearing
on the screen at the Strand Theatre
this week in "The Marriage of Kitty,"
Jesse L. Lasky's photo dramatic comedy,
will appear in a new play during
the first evening performance. The cool
weather fits in nicely with Miss Ward's
plans, for it is announced that "Miss
Ward will, on this occasion, wear all of
her famous jewelry."

The Giants and the Cincinnati Reds
attended the performance of "Some
Baby" at the Fulton Theatre last night.

Victor Herbert and Wassili Leps, di-
rector of the Philadelphia Operatic So-
ciety, attended the performance of "The
Blue Paradise" at the Casino last night
to witness the performance of Vivienne
Segall, of Philadelphia, who went on
the stage at the suggestion of Mr. Her-
bert.

ENGAGEMENT.

Miss Fanny E. Rogers, of Briarcliff,
N. Y., announces the engagement of
her niece, Dorothy H. Rogers, to F.
Desmond Sprague, of New York City.
The wedding will take place in All
Saints Church, Briarcliff, September 1.
Miss Rogers was a graduate of
Wyckham High School, Washington,
Conn., class of 1909. For the last two
years she has been active in the work
of the Clark Settlement in this city.

Mr. Sprague took his degree in civil
engineering at Cornell in 1911. He is
an associated member of the American
Institute of Electrical Engineers.

CHURCH WEDDING FOR MISS ADAMS

Bride of C. L. Crutchfield
Descendant of a Rev-
olutionary General.

HONEYMOON TRIP TO CANAL ZONE

Sidney Webster Fish Will Wed
Miss Olga Wiborg on
September 18.

Miss Therese Gladys Adams, daugh-
ter of Mrs. Ellison Adams, of 14 East
Sixtieth Street, was married to Charles
Lee Crutchfield, of this city, at noon
yesterday in the Church of the Trans-
figuration. The Rev. Dr. George Clarke
Houghton performed the ceremony,
which was followed by a wedding
breakfast at the home of Mrs. Adams.

The altar and chancel rail were de-
corated with pink dahlias and ferns.
The bride, who was given away by her
mother, had no attendants. She wore
her great-grandmother's hand embroi-
dered wedding gown, which was woven
on the family loom. It was made in
the Empire effect, the yoke being of
rose point lace. The bridal bouquet
was a Colonial nosegay of pink roses
with a shower of lilies-of-the-valley.

Mrs. Adams, mother of the bride, was
dressed in white messaline draped with
white lace and a hat of white lace
trimmed with ermine.

Mrs. Crutchfield for a time last
winter was engaged in relief work for
the British army with Lady Ross, wife
of Sir Charles Ross, of Scotland, who
is her mother's sister. She is a de-
scendant of General Charles Scott, of
Revolutionary times, who was at one
time Governor of Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. Crutchfield left the
city yesterday afternoon on a wedding
trip to Panama. After October 1 they
will be at home at 140 West Fifty-
seventh Street.

Miss Olga Wiborg, daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. Frank B. Wiborg, will be
married to Sidney Webster Fish on
Saturday, September 18, in the Epis-
copal Church at East Hampton, Long
Island. The ceremony will be per-
formed by the Rev. Mr. Chorley, of
Garrison, and a breakfast will follow
at the Dunes, the summer home of the
bride's parents at East Hampton.
Owing to the death of Mrs. Stuyvesant
Fish, mother of Mr. Fish, the wedding
will be very quiet, and only relatives
and a few intimate friends will be
present.

Mr. and Mrs. Lathrop Brown, of St.
James, Long Island, are spending a few
days at the Hotel Vanderbilt.

Miss Anne Morgan has returned to
Bar Harbor, and will spend the re-
mainder of the month there with her
mother, Mrs. Pierpont Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Craig Biddle, who for
several seasons past have been spend-
ing the winter in Dublin, Ireland, will
be in New York next winter. They have
taken an apartment on Park Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Harriman have
gone to Saratoga Springs for a short
stay.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger W. Griswold are
guests of Mr. and Mrs. William E. S.
Griswold at Lenox.

Mrs. Lewbold Le Roy Edgar will re-
turn to town next week from Dark
Harbor, Me.

Dr. and Mrs. James C. Ayer are the
guests of Mrs. Frederick Ayer at
Friede's Crossing, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Bozert have
returned to the city from Southampton,
Long Island, and are at the Plaza.

Mrs. Frederick Lloyd Richards, of
830 Park Avenue, is at the Stevens
House, Lake Placid, N. Y.

AN ENGAGEMENT.

Orange, N. J., Aug. 19.—Mr. and Mrs.
Edward H. Earnshaw, of Central Ave-
nue, Orange, to-day announced the en-
gagement of their daughter, Miss Ger-
trude Earnshaw, to John Howe Hall, of
High Bridge, this state. Mr. Hall, a
Harvard graduate in the class of '03, is
a son of Mrs. Florence Howe Hall and
the late David Prescott Hall, and a
grandson of the late Julia Ward Howe.

STELLA CAROL, Vocal Prodigy
of London Streets, Was
Aboard on Way to Make
Her First Appearance in
New York.

Among the passengers on the Arabic
was a young English girl, known as
Stella Carol, who had sung before
Queen Mary and appeared in concert
with such artists as Beethoven Tree,
George Alexander, Clara Butt and Or-
ville Harrold. She was to make a tour
of the United States this winter under
contract with Hugo Goerlitz, the impres-
ario, of 15 East Fortieth Street, who
brought Paderewski, Kubelik and Rich-
ard Strauss to this country.

Late last night the White Star Line
offices in this city received word that
she had been saved.

Late yesterday afternoon, after extra
editions of the newspapers had told
of the White Star liner's fate, Mr.
Goerlitz received a cable message
from London, to obtain money for a present
for her mother. "Stella sailed
on the Arabic from Liverpool yester-
day."

She is seventeen years old and her
real name, the one she doubtless signed
to the Arabic's register, is Lillie Le
Blond. In view of her winning several
swimming championships in England
this summer, Mr. Goerlitz said last
night he was certain she would have
a chance of being saved through her
ability to keep afloat.

On Christmas eve, 1910, Madame Amy
Sherwin heard a little girl singing
Christmas carols in a hampered street,
London, to obtain money for a present
for her mother. Madame Sherwin
adopted the girl with the parents' con-
sent to train her to be a singer. She
christened her prodigy Stella Carol.

After a year's training, the girl
made her debut in Queen's Hall, Lon-
don. In their enthusiasm to praise
her voice some of the critics went so
far as to compare her to Jenny Lind
and Patti. In April, 1912, when she
had made a successful appearance in
the London Opera House, there came a
command for her to sing before the
Queen.

"I am delighted with your voice and

D'ANNUNZIO WILL WRITE WAR OPERA

Italian Poet to Collaborate with
Puccini in Allegory on the
European Conflict.

Venice (via Paris), Aug. 19.—Giacomo
Puccini, the Italian composer, arrived
in Venice to-day from a visit to the
front. During his trip he met Gabriele
d'Annunzio, the poet, who is serving as
a lieutenant in the army.

D'Annunzio has agreed to write the
libretto of an opera dealing with the
European war in an allegorical man-
ner. Puccini is to compose the score.

GRACE STRACHAN LOSES ELECTION

Defeated by Dr. D. B. Johnson
for President of National Edu-
cation Association.

Oakland, Cal., Aug. 19.—Dr. David B.
Johnson, president of the Winthrop
Normal and Industrial College, of Rock
Hill, S. C., was elected to-day presi-
dent of the National Education Asso-
ciation, by a vote of 475, as against
184 received by Miss Grace C. Strachan,
District Superintendent of Schools, of
Brooklyn, N. Y.

"Antis" Will Answer Bradley.

The New Jersey Association Opposed
to Woman Suffrage has decided to
accept the challenge from James A.
Bradley, founder of Asbury Park, to
debate the equal franchise question.

Mrs. F. J. W. Goodwin, field secretary
of the association, announced yester-
day that Mrs. O. G. Oliphant, of Spring
Lake, will be champion for the "antis,"
Mr. Bradley incurred no displace-
ment of the "antis" by alleging that con-
tributions from the liquor interests
went into their campaign fund.

MRS. HITCHCOCK DEAD

Mother-in-law of Whitman
Stricken Suddenly.

After an illness of only three days
Mrs. Joseph Lloyd Hitchcock, wife of
Oliver N. Hitchcock and mother-in-law
of Governor Whitman, died at 9 o'clock
last night in her apartment at the
Buckingham Hotel. Mrs. Whitman, it
was learned, has been with her mother
since she was taken ill and was at the
bedside when she died.